

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LAHONTAN REGION

BOARD ORDER NO. R6T-2003-0011

**RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR**

**SQUAW VALLEY SKI CORPORATION,
EASY STREET TRAIL WIDENING PROJECT - SQUAW VALLEY SKI AREA
PLACER COUNTY (WDID NO. 6A319903005, BOARD ORDER NO. 6-01-024)**

Placer County

The California Regional Water Quality Control, Lahontan Region (Regional Board) finds:

1. On May 10, 2001, the Regional Board adopted Board Order No. 6-01-24 prescribing waste discharge requirements for the Squaw Valley Ski Corporation Easy Street Trail Widening Project (Project) located at the Squaw Valley Ski Area. The Project consists of widening and smoothing out grades on the existing Easy Street Trail in order to lower the trail rating to beginning skiers. The Project involves a significant amount of soil disturbance associated with outsloping the ski trail, regrading an existing cutslope, constructing a temporary brow ditch above the cutslope, reconstructing an inboard ditch, reconstructing a sedimentation basin, and repairing eroded areas. A combination of rock-slope protection and revegetation efforts will be used to restabilize the disturbed project site. The purpose of the waste discharge requirements was to develop requirements intended to control potential short-term and long-term water quality impacts associated with the Project.
2. Recent changes in regulations (Phase II Storm Water Regulations) provide that discharges of storm water to waters of the United States from construction projects that encompass one or more acres of soil disturbance are now subject to regulation under an NPDES Permit. The Squaw Valley Ski Corporation Easy Street Trail Widening Project involves more than one acre of soil disturbance and storm water from the site eventually enters Squaw Creek, a water of the United States. The Project has yet to be completed and now must comply with NPDES storm water regulations. It is no longer appropriate to regulate the Project under Board Order No. 6-01-024; and therefore, it is necessary to rescind Board Order No. 6-01-024. Squaw Valley Ski Corporation will need to obtain regulatory coverage under an NPDES storm water permit for the Project prior to continuing with it.

3. This action is being taken by this regulatory agency to rescind Board Order No. 6-01-024 issued pursuant to the California Water Code and as such is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.), in accordance with Title 14 California Code of Regulations, Section 15321(a)(2).
4. The Regional Board has notified the Squaw Valley Ski Corporation (Discharger) and interested agencies of its intent to rescind Board Order No. 6-01-024.
5. The Regional Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to this Board Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Board Order No. 6-01-024 be rescinded.

I, Harold J. Singer, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, on March 12, 2003.

HAROLD J. SINGER
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SCF/cgT: SVSC Easy Street Trail Rescission Order
[Squaw Valley Ski Corporation Easy Street Trail Widening Project – Squaw Valley Ski Area (WDID No. 6A319903005)]